## **ABSTRACT**

An occupant protection device with an airbag for fastening in a vehicle seat. In order, in an occupant protection device of this type, to make it possible for the seat to be produced and installed very simply and cost-effectively and to achieve reliable deployment of the airbag, the invention proposes that the occupant protection device has a receiving container for the airbag, which container is free of closure flaps, and the opening of the receiving container is covered by a seat cover of the vehicle seat. In this case, the seat cover is to be fastened to a side wall of the receiving container in such a manner that, when the airbag is inflated with gas, the seat cover tears open in the region of the opening of the receiving container.